

*United States*, when used in a geographical sense, includes Puerto Rico and all territories and possessions of the United States.

#### § 55.5 Communications.

(a) Except as provided under a regional licensing program identified in paragraph (b) of this section, an applicant or licensee or facility licensee shall submit any communication or report concerning the regulations in this part and shall submit any application filed under these regulations to the Commission as follows:

(1) By mail addressed to—Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, or

(2) By delivery in person to the Commission's offices at 2120 L Street NW., Washington, DC, or at 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD.

(b)(1) Except for test and research reactor facilities, the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation has delegated to the Regional Administrators of Regions I, II, III, and IV authority and responsibility pursuant to the regulations in this part for the issuance and renewal of licenses for operators and senior operators of nuclear power reactors licensed under 10 CFR part 50 and located in these regions.

(2) Any application for a license or license renewal filed under the regulations in this part involving a nuclear power reactor licensed under 10 CFR part 50 and any related inquiry, communication, information, or report must be submitted by mail or in person to the Regional Administrator. The Regional Administrator or the Administrator's designee will transmit to the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation any matter that is not within the scope of the Regional Administrator's delegated authority.

(i) If the nuclear power reactor is located in Region I, submission must be made to the Regional Administrator, Region I, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406.

(ii) If the nuclear power reactor is located in Region II, submission must be made to the Regional Administrator, Region II, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, 101 Marietta Street, suite 2900, Atlanta, GA 30323.

(iii) If the nuclear power reactor is located in Region III, submission must be made to the Regional Administrator, Region III, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 801 Warrenville Road, Lisle, IL 60532-4351.

(iv) If the nuclear power reactor is located in Region IV, submission must be made to the Regional Administrator, Region IV, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, suite 1000, Arlington, TX 76011.

(3)(i) Any application for a license or license renewal filed under the regulations in this part involving a test and research reactor facility licensed under 10 CFR part 50 and any related inquiry, communication, information, or report must be submitted by mail or in person to the Division of Licensee Performance and Quality Evaluation at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Headquarters in Washington, DC.

(ii) For all test and research reactor facilities located in Regions I, II, III, and IV, submissions must be made to the Director, Division of Licensee Performance and Quality Evaluation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. Attention: Operator Licensing Branch.

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#### § 55.6 Interpretations.

Except as specifically authorized by the Commission in writing, no interpretation of the meaning of the regulations in this part by any officer or employee of the Commission other than a written interpretation by the General Counsel will be recognized to be binding upon the Commission.

#### § 55.7 Additional requirements.

The Commission may, by rule, regulation, or order, impose upon any licensee such requirements, in addition to those established in the regulations in this part, as it deems appropriate or necessary to protect health and to minimize danger to life or property.

**§ 55.8 Information collection requirements: OMB approval.**

(a) The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has submitted the information collection requirements contained in this part to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). OMB has approved the information collection requirements contained in this part under control number 3150-0018.

(b) The approved information collection requirements contained in this part appear in §§ 55.45, 55.53, and 55.59.

(c) This part contains information collection requirements in addition to those approved under the control number specified in paragraph (a) of this section. These information collection requirements and the control numbers under which they are approved are as follows:

(1) In §§ 55.23, 55.25, 55.27, 55.31, Form NRC-396 is approved under control number 3150-0024.

(2) In §§ 55.31, 55.35, 55.47, and 55.57, Form NRC-398 is approved under control number 3150-0090.

(3) In § 55.45, Form NRC-474 is approved under control number 3150-0138.

**§ 55.9 Completeness and accuracy of information.**

Information provided to the Commission by an applicant for a license or by a licensee or information required by statute or by the Commission's regulations, orders, or license conditions to be maintained by the applicant or the licensee shall be complete and accurate in all material respects.

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**Subpart B—Exemptions****§ 55.11 Specific exemptions.**

The Commission may, upon application by an interested person, or upon its own initiative, grant such exemptions from the requirements of the regulations in this part as it determines are authorized by law and will not endanger life or property and are otherwise in the public interest.

**§ 55.13 General exemptions.**

The regulations in this part do not require a license for an individual who—

(a) Under the direction and in the presence of a licensed operator or senior operator, manipulates the controls of—

(1) A research or training reactor as part of the individual's training as a student, or

(2) A facility as a part of the individual's training in a facility licensee's training program as approved by the Commission to qualify for an operator license under this part.

(b) Under the direction and in the presence of a licensed senior operator, manipulates the controls of a facility to load or unload the fuel into, out of, or within the reactor vessel.

**Subpart C—Medical Requirements****§ 55.21 Medical examination.**

An applicant for a license shall have a medical examination by a physician. A licensee shall have a medical examination by a physician every two years. The physician shall determine that the applicant or licensee meets the requirements of § 55.33(a)(1).

**§ 55.23 Certification.**

To certify the medical fitness of the applicant, an authorized representative of the facility licensee shall complete and sign Form NRC-396, "Certification of Medical Examination by Facility Licensee," available from Records and Reports Management Branch, Division of Information Support Services, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

(a) Form NRC-396 must certify that a physician has conducted the medical examination of the applicant as required in § 55.21.

(b) When the certification requests a conditional license based on medical evidence, the medical evidence must be submitted on NRC Form 396 to the Commission and the Commission then makes a determination in accordance with § 55.33.

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